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SUBJ: ME: EGYPTIAN DEMARCHE SYG

1. SYG CALLED IN AMBS BENNETT AND SCHAUFLE TO GIVE THEM INFORMAL TEXT OF SIX POINT EGYPTIAN DEMARCHE IN FORM OF MESSAGE FROM EGYPTIAN FOREIGN MINISTER TO SYG:

"1. EGYPT HAS DECIDED TO PUT AN END TO ALL MILITARY CONTACTS DUE TO ISRAELI LACK OF SERIOUSNESS TO IMPLEMENT PARAGRAPH B.

"2. IT IS CLEAR TO EGYPT, BOTH FROM ALL ITS CONTACTS AND GENERAL SIILASVUO'S, THAT ISRAEL IS IN THE WRONG AND IS USING DELAYING TACTICS ON THIS MATTER, ONCE SHE RECEIVED ALL PRISONERS OF WAR.

"3. THE EGYPTIAN GOVERNMENT LOOKS AT THE SIX POINTS AS A PACKAGE THAT HAS TO BE KEPT IN TOTO AND THEREFORE ISRAEL IS NOT TO PICK AND CHOOSE ANY ONE ITEM FOR OTHER BARGAINING PURPOSES.

"4. THE QUESTION OF DISENGAGEMENT IS A MILITARY MATTER AND NOT A POLITICAL ONE. IT IS ESSENTIAL TO AGREE ON THIS ISSUE BEFORE THE PARTIES CAN APTICIPATE IN THE PEACE CONFERENCE.

"5. THE FORCE IN KABRIT HAS NOT JOINED THE THIRD ARMY
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AND EGYPT HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT ISRAEL IS LINKING THIS

QUESTION WITH THE HANDING OVER OF AN ISRAELI SPY NAMED BARUCH. THIS IS NOT AN ITEM COVERED BY THE SIX POINTS.

"6. THE FOREIGN MINISTER OF EGYPT IS ASKING THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO INTERVENE WITH ISRAELI GOVERNMENT AND WITH THE SUPER POWERS, IN THE WAY THAT THE SECRETARY-GENERAL SEES FIT, FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PARAGRAPH B AND THAT HE SHOULD INSTRUCT CLEARLY GENERAL SIILASVUO IN THIS RESPECT. THE FOREIGN MINISTER OF EGYPT WOULD BE GRATEFUL TO KNOW THE RESULTS OF SECRETARY-GENERAL'S DEMARCHE."

2. SYG IN CALLING IN US WAS ACCEDING TO POINT SIX OF ABOVE. PLANS TO SEE USSR PERM REP AND ISRAELIS LATER THIS AFTERNOON.

3. WALDHEIM EXPRESSED HIS CONCERN OVER BREAKDOWN IN TALKS EVEN IF TEMPORARY BECAUSE HE WISHES TO SEE MOMENTUM MAINTAINED ON THIS MATTER. HE ASKED THAT SECRETARY OF STATE BE INFORMED URGENTLY SO THAT HE MIGHT UNDERTAKE WHATEVER STEPS POSSIBLE TO HELP ACHIEVE RESUMPTION OF TALKS IN KM 101.

4. HE SAID THAT AMB MEGUID HAD SPECIFICALLY NOTED THAT THIS MESSAGE FROM HIS FOREIGN MINISTER IS A DIPLOMATIC ONE AND NOT TO BE USED FOR PUBLIC PROPAGANDA. FOR SYG'S CONSULTATION WITH NONALIGNED LATER THIS AFTERNOON MEGUID SAID ONLY POINT ONE SHOULD BE REFERRED TO.

5. BENNETT SAID WE WOULD CERTAINLY DISPATCH MESSAGE IMMEDIATELY. SCHAUFLELE NOTED THAT 3-4 DAY BREAK IN TALKS SUCH AS THESE SOMETIMES COULD BE USEFUL TO SET STAGE FOR SUBSEQUENT MEETINGS. ALSO NOTED THAT LEADERS OF ISRAELI LABOR PARTY HAD BEEN BUSY DRAWING UP NEW FOURTEEN POINT DOCUMENT ON MIDDLE EAST WHICH APPEARS TO BE SIGNIFICIANTLY MORE CONCILIATORY THAN PAST STATEMTNS.

6. SYG ASKED SPECIFICALLY FOR REPLY TO HIS DEMARCHE RELAYED THROUGH USUN.
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